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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: David E. Wilson  
Serial No.: 08/818,717  
Filed: March 14, 1997 (CPA filed April 29, 1999)  
For: IMPROVED GRAIN DRILL WITH ACCURATE  
METERING OF THE RATE OF PLANTING OF SEED  
Group: 3671  
Examiner: V. Batson

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

June 22, 2001

Sir:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 42 and 43 as follows:

42. (Amended) A grain drill comprising:

a frame having a plurality of wheels for supporting  
the grain drill during rolling over a surface of ground to be  
planted with grain;

a hopper for containing grain to be planted in the  
ground;

a support which is joined to opposed sides of the  
frame and to spaced apart locations of the hopper to transfer  
weight of the hopper to the frame, the support including at least